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Recruit Assessment Program Update

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Overview

BACKGROUND

- **Scientific panel recommends DoD collect baseline health information on recruits (Institute of Medicine, 1999)**
- **Presidential Review Directive - 5 “Establish a Recruit Assessment Program”**
- **Pilot testing at recruit training center (2000 - 2004)**
- **Feb 02 Questions to AFEB**
- **FY 05 NDAA (SEC. 733) Baseline Health Data Collection Program.**



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BACKGROUND

- **AFEB (2002) Recruit Assessment Program**
 - Establish Tri-Service workgroup
 - DoD-wide consistent data collection methodology
 - Linkage to CHCS
 - Register new accessions
 - Central repository - accessible to Services
 - Compatible with other self-reporting health surveys
 - Ensure valid, reliable questions - - conduct validity studies
- **FY 05 NDAA (SEC. 733) Baseline Health Data Collection Program**
 - Collect baseline health data form each person entering the armed forces at time of entry into the armed services
 - Provide computerized compilation and maintenance of the baseline health data



Health Assessment Across the Military Life Cycle

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PURPOSE

- Understand how exposures related to service in the armed forces affect health
- Support early intervention program to protect health & readiness





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Baseline Health Assessment

Baseline Health Assessment Instrument Status

- **Tri-Service Group Established**
 - Concept of operations agreement
 - Critical review of instrument
- **Instrument**
 - Service subject matter expert concurrence
 - External Peer Review
 - 71% questions direct HEAR Match
 - 40% questions direct NHANES III, AUDIT, PHQ, PC-PTSD, SRA, NCS Match
 - **OGC Review**
 - **DMDC (Defense Manpower Data Center)**

■ Accomplished
■ Not Accomplished